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| Office Action Cumment  | 10/849,191  | SHIRAISHI ET AL.      |  |  |  |  |
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| Status   |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 Ap   | oril 2006.  |                       |  |  |  |  |
| 2a)⊠ This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b)☐ This   |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowan  | 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the ments is |                       |  |  |  |  |
| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.  |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| Disposition of Claims  |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>4)  Claim(s) 1-3 is/are pending in the application.</li> <li>4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.</li> <li>5)  Claim(s) is/are allowed.</li> <li>6)  Claim(s) 1-3 is/are rejected.</li> <li>7)  Claim(s) is/are objected to.</li> <li>8)  Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.</li> </ul>   |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| Application Papers   |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.</li> <li>10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.  Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> <li>11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.</li> </ul>  |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119   |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul>  |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
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| <ol> <li>Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)</li> <li>Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)</li> <li>Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)</li> <li>Paper No(s)/Mail Date</li> </ol>   | 4) Interview Summary ( Paper No(s)/Mail Dal 5) Notice of Informal Pa 6) Other:                                    | te                    |  |  |  |  |
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Serial Number: 10/849191 Attorney's Docket #: 2004\_0787 Filing Date: 5/20/2004; claimed foreign priority to 11/29/2000

Applicant: Shiraishi et al.

Examiner: Alexander Williams

Applicant's Amendment filed 4/21/06 to the election without traverse of species figure 6 (claims 1 to 3), filed 5/12/05, has been acknowledged.

Claims 1 to 3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

In claim 1, it is unclear and confusing to what is meant by "at least a first semiconductor element mounted on said first side of said multilayer wiring board and a second semiconductor element mounted said second side of said multilayer wiring board." Should this be "a second semiconductor element mounted "on" said first side of said multilayer wiring board? One of the "said" should probably be deleted.

In claim 3, it is unclear and confusing to what is meant by "wherein **said said** semiconductor device and said mother multilayer wiring board are electrically connected by an electrically conductive supporting body."

Any of claims 1 to 3 not specifically addressed above are rejected as being dependent on one or more of the claims which have been specifically objected to above.

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. § 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

<sup>(</sup>b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1 to 3, insofar as they can be understood, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Braun (U.S. Patent # 4,882,657).

1. Braun (figures 1 to 3) specifically figure 2 show a semiconductor device module comprising: a semiconductor device including: a multi-layer wiring board 61 having a first side 64 and a second side 66, said multi-layer wiring board including a plurality of insulation layers 62 each having a fist side and a second side, and including a plurality of circuit pattern layers 90 arranged such that one of said circuit pattern layers is located on each of said first side and said second side of each of said insulating layers, said insulation layers and said circuit pattern layers being alternatively laminated, and wherein each of said insulation layers has a plurality of inner via holes extending between said first side and said second side of each of said insulation layers and electrically connecting said circuit pattern layers so as to define a three-dimensional wiring pattern; and; at least a first semiconductor element 68,70,72 mounted on said first side of said multi-layer wiring board and a second semiconductor element 74,76,78 mounted said second side of said multi-layer wiring board wherein electrodes of said first semiconductor element and said second semiconductor element are connected with each other by said three-dimensional wiring pattern of said multi-layer wiring board; and a mother multi-layer wiring board 96 having a circuit pattern formed on a surface thereof, wherein said semiconductor device is mounted on said mother multi-layer wiring board and said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board are electrically connected.

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- 2. The semiconductor device module according to claim 1, Braum et al. show wherein said said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board are electrically connected by a projecting electrode which is interposed between said multi-layer wiring board of said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board by bonding said back surface of said second semiconductor element onto said mother multi-layer wiring board thus placing said semiconductor device on said mother multi-layer wiring board, thereby connecting said circuit pattern provided on said multi-layer wiring board and said circuit pattern provided on said mother multi-layer wiring board.
- 3. The semiconductor device module according to claim 1, Braum show wherein said semiconductor device and said mother multilayer wiring board are electrically connected by an electrically conductive supporting body which is electrically connected to said three-dimensional wiring pattern of said multi-layer wiring board of said semiconductor device and which also fastens said semiconductor device onto said mother multi-layer wiring board, so as to establish electrical connection between said three-dimensional wiring pattern of said multi-layer wiring board of said semiconductor device and said circuit pattern provided on said mother multi-layer wiring board by fastening said semiconductor device onto said mother multi-layer wiring board via said electrically conductive supporting body.

Claims 1 to 3, insofar as they can be understood, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Wu et al. (U.S. Patent # 5,438,224.

1. Wu et al. (figures 1 to 6) specifically figures 3 and 4 show a semiconductor device module comprising: a semiconductor device

including: a multi-layer wiring board 22,32 having a first side 26 and a second side 36, said multi-layer wiring board including a plurality of insulation layers each having a fist side and a second side, and including a plurality of circuit pattern layers arranged such that one of said circuit pattern layers is located on each of said first side and said second side of each of said insulating layers, said insulation layers and said circuit pattern layers being alternatively laminated, and wherein each of said insulation layers has a plurality of inner via holes extending between said first side and said second side of each of said insulation layers and electrically connecting said circuit pattern layers so as to define a three-dimensional wiring pattern; and; at least a first semiconductor element 24 mounted on said first side of said multi-layer wiring board and a second semiconductor element 34 mounted said second side of said multi-layer wiring board wherein electrodes of said first semiconductor element and said second semiconductor element are connected with each other by said three-dimensional wiring pattern of said multi-layer wiring board; and a mother multilayer wiring board 15 having a circuit pattern formed on a surface thereof, wherein said semiconductor device is mounted on said mother multi-layer wiring board and said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board are electrically connected.

2. The semiconductor device module according to claim 1, Wu et al. show wherein said said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board are electrically connected by a projecting electrode which is interposed between said multi-layer wiring board of said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board by bonding said back surface of said

second semiconductor element onto said mother multi-layer wiring board thus placing said semiconductor device on said mother multi-layer wiring board, thereby connecting said circuit pattern provided on said multi-layer wiring board and said circuit pattern provided on said mother multi-layer wiring board.

3. The semiconductor device module according to claim 1, Wu et al. show wherein said semiconductor device and said mother multi-layer wiring board are electrically connected by an electrically conductive supporting body which is electrically connected to said three-dimensional wiring pattern of said multi-layer wiring board of said semiconductor device and which also fastens said semiconductor device onto said mother multi-layer wiring board, so as to establish electrical connection between said three-dimensional wiring pattern of said multi-layer wiring board of said semiconductor device and said circuit pattern provided on said mother multi-layer wiring board by fastening said semiconductor device onto said mother multi-layer wiring board via said electrically conductive supporting body.

## Response

Applicant's arguments filed 4/21/06 have been fully considered, but are most in view of the new grounds of rejections detailed above.

The insertion of Applicant's additional claimed language, for example, "in claims 1-3" cause for further search and consideration to make this action final.

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new grounds of rejection. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See M.P.E.P. → 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 C.F.R. → 1.136(a).

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The listed references are cited as of interest to this application, but not applied at this time.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan Flynn can be reached on (571) 272 1915. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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